



**MAYORS FOR A  
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## **Mountain View, California Commits \$1M to a Guaranteed Basic Income Demonstration Pilot**

**Mountain View, Calif.** - As part of the formal adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Recommended Budget, the Mountain View City Council allocated \$1 million for a guaranteed basic income pilot program. Currently, the pilot program is in the preliminary phase as City of Mountain View staff begins conducting research about basic income programs in other cities. In addition, staff is reaching out to leading organizations like Mayors for a Guaranteed Income working in this space to help inform proposed designs for Mountain View.

Further, at the May 25, 2021 Mountain View Council meeting, the City Council adopted a [resolution](#) to commit their support for the principles of basic income, authorized participation in the Mayors for a Guaranteed Income initiative, and expressed their support for a cash-based pilot program in Mountain View.

“On behalf of the City Council, we are committing our support to the principles of guaranteed basic income,” said Mayor Ellen Kamei. “In Mountain View, we are seeing the impacts of growing income inequality, especially during the pandemic. We look forward to partnering with the Mayors for a Guaranteed Income network as we begin our due diligence in bringing a pilot program to our community to help lift people up and out of poverty with this cash-based program.”

Mayor Kamei recently joined [Mayors for a Guaranteed Income](#) (MGI) to help advance Mountain View’s initiative.

Mountain View’s pilot is currently in the development phase. The City Council is expected to consider the preliminary components of the pilot program at a study session in September.

For more information on Mountain View’s initiative, visit the [Guaranteed Basic Income Initiative \(GBI\) webpage](#).

### **About [Mayors for a Guaranteed Income](#) (MGI)**

Founded in June of 2020 by former Stockton Mayor Michael Tubbs, MGI is a coalition of more than 50 mayors committed to advancing guaranteed income – direct, recurring cash payments to the poor and middle class – at the local, state and federal level. MGI, together with the University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy & Practice, has also established the [Center for Guaranteed Income Research](#) to consolidate the key learnings from the pilots taking place in

MGI member cities to address knowledge gaps and allow the organization to layer data with anecdotal evidence.

**About the City of Mountain View, California**

Located between the Santa Cruz Mountains and San Francisco Bay, Mountain View is a diverse community with an estimated population of 82,739. Mountain View covers just over 12 square miles, featuring over 1,000 acres of park and wildlife areas including the 750-acre wildlife and recreation area called Shoreline at Mountain View. In the heart of Silicon Valley, Mountain View is home to a vibrant downtown and headquarters to many nationally and internationally known corporations including Google, LinkedIn, Intuit and NASA Ames Research Center. For more information, visit [MountainView.gov](http://MountainView.gov).

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